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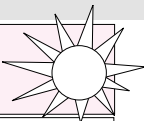
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Subpar pipes soak Carman

Charleston water, pipes' age factors in latest bust

By HEATHER CYGAN
Campus editor

Carman Hall flooded Wednesday morning after water pipes broke and left residents without hot water.

Ted Weidner, the director of facilities planning and management, said the pipes broke because they were installed 30 years ago. He said the university saved money when they installed the piping in Carman Hall and has led to "a great deal of trouble with hot water in Carman Hall."

The piping easily corrodes, which springs leaks and clogs up, Weidner said. The university is looking into replacing the system but that takes funds and time, he noted.

Carman Hall has experienced problems in the past and the problems continue to worsen, Weidner said.

Kristy Angellotti, a freshman undecided major and resident of the south tower, said Carman Hall has no hot water.

"It sucks," Angellotti said. "I didn't even know (hot water) was out until I tried to brush my teeth."

Bill Schnackel, the director of university housing/dining services, said "there is a project on board" to fix the hot water piping.

Charleston water as well as the age of the pipes also are major factors as to why the pipes corrode, Schnackel said. Carman Hall was constructed in 1969 and is now almost 30 years old.

Carman Hall also has been experiencing a boiler problem as well, which explains the "great deal of trouble with hot water in Carman," Schnackel said.

John Fleming, a resident assistant of Carman Hall and senior social science major, said "there's a leak in a pipe in the second floor of the north tower on the second floor and it's affecting the whole tower."

"It's always been something (wrong with Carman Hall)," Fleming said.

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ANNA BETZELBERGER/Associate photo editor

A stretch

Eric Davidson, a peer educator, demonstrates the strength of a condom Wednesday night as part of "Project Safe Spring Break" in the University Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Departments put academic grading to the test

By TAMMIE SLOUP
Staff writer

Sixty-two percent of grades distributed during the fall semester 1997 were A's and B's, which is a 6 percent decrease from the spring semester, according to statistics compiled by Eastern's records office.

Documents listing the amount of A's, B's, C's, D's and F's for each department were compiled by the records office and distributed to administrators and faculty members by Charles Evans, assistant vice president for academic affairs.

"Grade inflation is on an increase nationwide," said Richard Wandling, chair of the political science department. "There is a higher percentage of people going to college and there is a higher amount of A's and B's across the nation."

"EIU is reflective of what is happening nationwide," Wandling said. "It is good that EIU initiated this discussion of grading practices."

Evans said grade inflation is an issue at Eastern.

"There is a substantial inflation," Evans said. "Even at prestige schools like Duke

and Yale grade distribution is a point of discussion.

"There is a philosophical difference here; the student is gaged against an absolute standard and faculty all grade differently," Evans said. "It is a good thing that (the Council on Academic Affairs) is trying to come to a consensus."

Eastern faculty members and administrators are in the process of discussing grading practices, but most of the concern is not about the high percentage of A's and B's, but the factors that were not figured in with the statistics.

"It is very difficult to compare these statistics without knowing the characteristics of each course within the departments," said Terry Weidner, vice president for academic affairs.

The statistics show that the number of A's and B's distributed from the departments that have courses with large numbers of students were also high. During the spring 1997, 71 percent of the 3,432 grades given out by the English department were A's and B's. The

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Retirement payouts 'over the hill'; alternative sought

By TAMMIE SLOUP
Staff writer

The office of the vice president for academic affairs is looking for alternative means of payment for faculty, administration and maintenance workers who retire or resign because the expected cost will exceed the budgeted amount by \$300,000.

Academic Affairs budgeted \$700,000 for retirement payouts, but expects the cost to be about \$1 million. This money will have to come from the internal budget of the university.

"Whenever someone leaves, either by resigning or retiring, they must be paid for half of their unused sick days," said Terry Weidner, vice president for academic affairs. "By law, we have to pay (the retirees) and we will find a way to cover it."

Every month, faculty, administration and maintenance workers are allowed a certain number of sick days and the amount varies for each group, Weidner said.

He said the law was changed effective Jan. 1. Any sick days that were accumulated before Jan. 1 will be accumulated and faculty, administration and maintenance

workers will be paid for half of their unused sick days, but any sick days after that date will not be accumulated.

"Every year, (the vice president for academic affairs' office) prepares a budget reflecting how many administrators, faculty and maintenance workers they think are going to retire or resign," Weidner said. "The amount of money to be paid out is appearing to be more than the office budgeted."

Weidner said he wanted to stress that the money will be generated somehow and the people who are retiring or resigning will be paid.

"We are trying to be frugal with dollars from everywhere," Weidner said. "We are hopeful to save some money."

He said it is difficult to make predictions because additional people may retire and resign. Those employees are allowed up until one day before they retire or resign to announce their plans to do so.

"We never know the exact amount that it is going to be, so we have to make the best guess," Weidner said. "Certainly no one will leave without getting their mandated payoff."

AB to vote on five board budgets SOAK

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By RYAN HILLIGOSS
Staff writer

The Apportionment Board tonight will finalize and vote on the budgets of five student activity fee-funded boards.

The AB will meet at 6 p.m. in the Arcola Tuscola Room in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

The AB is responsible for allocating \$310,000 from the student activity fee fund to five campus boards: Student Senate, Dramatic Performances, Division of Sports and Recreation, University Board and the Apportionment Board.

Last week, the AB made final cuts in the boards' submitted budget requests, which totaled \$316,316. AB Chair Steve Zielinski said he would like to approve the budgets tonight and forward them to the Student Senate ahead of the April 1 deadline so that the senate will have extra time to look them over.

Zielinski said the UB will be called in tonight to participate in "interest-based negotiations" wherein the members can modify line-item cuts. The other boards' members reported to Zielinski that they are pleased with the budgets as they currently stand.

"The interest-based negotiation process gives the boards flexibility in where the cuts come from," Zielinski said. "Both the AB and the boards will benefit by participating."

The Student Senate must approve the budgets before they are forwarded to administration officials.

Zielinski said he would ask AB members to attend the April 1 senate meeting in order to answer any questions senate members might have regarding the budgets. Zielinski said he has been pleased with the entire budgeting process this year.

Jenny Houghtaling, a freshman computer management major and resident of the second floor of the north tower, said there was water all over the floor by the lounge and the north hallway.

Two "huge" puddles also surrounded the stove and closet area, Houghtaling said.

"At first I thought they were never going to find where it was leaking," said Joselyn Tillery, the resident assistant of the north tower second floor of Carman Hall. The problem was caught in time, but "could have been a disaster easily."

The north hallway and bathroom entrance, as well as the lounge, were invaded by the leaking waters.

Schnackel said the plumbers were at Carman Hall and have fixed the problem. He could not assess the damages at this time.

Tillery said she was notified of the problem around 7:45 a.m. and she noticed the problem was fixed at least by 3 p.m. Wednesday.

Hot water was returned to Carman Hall Wednesday afternoon.

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mathematics department gave out 2,385 grades and 58 percent were A's and B's. The history department gave out 2,125 grades the same semester and 63 percent of the grades were A's and B's.

"You can look at the numbers but every class and situation is different," said CAA Chair Mary Durkin Wohlrahe. "Some classes have all honors students and their grades are going to be higher."

"You have to separate the apples from the oranges when looking at this in terms of a representation of the university," said Julia Abell, director of Planning and Institutionalized Studies.

The English department does not have a high percentage of A's and B's considering there are 163 sections of ENG 1001 and 1002 and D's and F's are counted as "no credit," said Dana Ringuette, chair of the English department.

"When you glance at the statistics, it is alarming but when it is broken down it's not as alarming," Ringuette said. "We have to make sure that grade inflation doesn't get out of hand and this is an ongoing situation for the English department. We do have venues for discussion within the department."

A fairly high drop rate presents a problem with the statistics for the mathematics department, said Claire Krukenberg, chair of the mathematics department. He also believes that the department has a fair percentage rate, when certain things are factored into the statistics.

"We are holding our own and I believe that we are one of the nastiest departments on campus," Krukenberg said.

Krukenberg's main concern is the amount of drops in the department. "We are not using our

DISTRIBUTION OF GRADES (BY CLASS)**						
Class	A	B	C	D	F	% of A's and B's
Freshmen	3,326	4,074	3,203	792	627	56%
Sophomores	2,938	3,255	2,269	594	475	58%
Juniors	4,169	4,118	2,524	592	361	64%
Seniors	6,133	4,691	2,270	525	290	70%

** Information obtained from Eastern's Record's Office

resources well. Students are taking classes more than once and when they come back they expect seats."

Students also drop classes because they are earning a C, and then only A and B students are left, which increases the percentage of A's and B's, Krukenberg said.

"I am concerned about some courses in this department that have nothing under a B but overall the distribution of grades is pretty realistic," he said.

Evans said the university is "generous" in allowing students to withdraw from classes late in a semester.

"Eastern has an extremely generous withdrawal system and if it didn't, grade distribution may reach a bell curve," Evans said.

Anita Shelton, chair of the history department, said that these statistics are an invalid way to draw conclusions.

"Individual study counts for just as much as a 1000 level course, and it is very difficult to draw conclusions because of this," Shelton said. "I am comfortable with the distribution of grades in the history department. I look at the grades given out by other departments and sometimes I wonder. It is good to get faculty to talk about it. I think Charles Evans did a good job with

making the statistics public but many have pointed out problems with the statistics. As professionals, we must draw our own conclusions."

General education classes will have statistics that represent a wider variety of students because many students are required to take them, Abell said. The grades will be higher in classes that are for honor students or students majoring in education. Sometimes a certain GPA is required in order for a student to be allowed in a course.

"These statistics are not all the same type and character," Evans said. "Academic affairs is just trying to call the figures to the attention of all the departments."

Evans said the best way to analyze the figures is to look at each department individually and look at the specific courses offered in the department.

Some department chairs are concerned with the percentage of A's and B's in their department.

Statistics show that the zoology department in spring 1997 had 58 percent of grades that were A's and B's.

"I don't think that number is outrageously high but maybe it could be lower," said Kipp Kruse, chair of the zoology department.

"We are not looking for a certain amount of A's and B's."

The zoology department has discussed grading practices after a list of questions were distributed by the CAA, Kruse said.

"Our department teaches general education courses and we thought perhaps we were being easier than we have been in the past," Kruse said. "We just want a fair and uniform border."

Statistics show that in spring of 1997 the percentage of A's and B's that the chemistry department gave out was 55 percent.

Ellen Keiter, chair of the chemistry department, said that the percentages are a matter of concern and discussions about grading practices within her department have just begun.

"We are trying to decide if we need departmental consideration. We need to explore whether the grade inflation is on an increase," she said.

Statistics show that the political science department's total percentage of A's and B's in spring 1997 was 62 percent. Wandling said the department is fairly satisfied about their grades.

"One problem with the statistics is that all the grades are aggregated together and graduate students tend

to get higher grades, which skews the percentages for the departments," Wandling said.

Statistics show that the economics department's percentage of A's and B's in spring 1997 was 58 percent. Ebrahim Karbassioo, chair of the economics department, said that the department emphasizes introductory courses and grades tend to be higher in these courses.

"These courses are fundamental tools that prepare students for upper level courses and the job market," Karbassioo said. "The distribution of grades seems to be fine in our department. The department has just completed a six-year study and the past six years have been consistent."

Grade distribution among freshmen is a concern for Wohlrahe.

"Twenty-five percent of the freshman class in fall 1997 received A's and 30 percent received B's. This is not what grades are supposed to represent."

Another document comprised by the records office listed the average GPA of freshman, sophomores, juniors and seniors for fall 1997. The average GPA of seniors in fall 1997 was 3.13 and the GPA for freshmen was 2.72. In spring 1997 the average GPA for seniors was 3.12 and the average for freshmen was 2.73.

Seniors also tend to have better GPA's than freshmen, Wohlrahe said.

"By the time students become seniors they know how to read and study," Wohlrahe said.

"CAA has taken the appropriate course," Evans said. "Trying to determine the definitions of what an A, B, C, D and F means is the appropriate response."

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Winter break

Manman Gu, a graduate working toward an MBA, sits inside Booth Library to warm up Wednesday afternoon. The temperature is expected to drop to 5 degrees Fahrenheit today, the lowest it has been all winter. For complete weather information see story page 5.

Vice president position reopened

By JUSTIN KMITCH
Administration editor

The office of the vice president for student affairs is currently seeking a new associate vice president for student affairs.

Lou Hencken, vice president for student affairs, was the last person to hold the position from 1989 to 1992 before he moved to the position he currently holds. The associate position has not been filled since 1992 because Hencken said he did not feel that an associate vice president was in demand — until now.

"It's time," Hencken said. "It has become painfully obvious, within the last year, that I need some help."

Hencken said he needs to be at numerous places at once, adding that the work load has also increased.

"I was starting to realize that I am being invited to more and more

events on the same night, so I need someone to help me represent the student affairs office at these events," Hencken said. "I don't want to offend anyone."

Hencken said his office has recently seen the addition of a few new departments.

"We now have the student recreation center, athletics and the counseling center under our office," he said. "These types of things take a lot of time, so I am looking for some help."

Hencken said an internal search will be held to find someone to fill the part-time position.

"There are two main reasons that this will remain a part-time position for as long as I can see: there is not enough of a work load to make this a full-time position, and we don't have enough money to hire someone full time."

Hencken said that in addition to his or her normal position duties, the person selected for the position

will help out with the Strategic Planning process and running the Student Affairs Office in his absence.

"I want to stress that this is not another administrative position, but someone currently doing their job plus a few extra duties," Hencken said. "We are doing things to cut administrative costs, not add to them."

Included with the position is a pay increase of \$200-\$300 per month.

Serving as the chair of the screening committee will be Thomas Larson, University Police chief. The committee will include representatives from Academic Affairs, Student Affairs, Academic Affairs and the presidential area. A student representative will also be appointed by Student Body President Kim Harris.

Hencken said he would like to have open session interviews begin in mid-April and the position to begin sometime around July 1.

\$521,000 approved for campus project

By MATT ADRIAN
Managing editor

The Board of Trustees Wednesday unanimously approved a \$521,540 expenditure for the purchase of the campus cards during a teleconference meeting.

Morgan Olsen, vice president for business affairs, told BOT members a new office will be created to handle the campus card accounts and maintain the student debit card accounts. The office will be run by the university telecommunications manager, he said.

The campus cards will offer a variety of services to students in two phases.

In the first phase, students can use the cards to purchase items on campus and check out books from Booth Library. The card also will be used as an student I.D. and food service card. In Phase II, the services will be expanded to include an ATM function and off-campus debit card at local business, Olsen said.

BOT members also approved \$2,746,640 for the installation of air conditioning in the Lincoln and Douglas residence halls. The addition of air conditioning to the residence halls is part of the campus improvement projects approved by the students in fall 1996.

Olsen said the project will cost between \$400,000 and \$500,000 more than engineers had estimated. The reason for the increase was the need to tie the air conditioning units to the cooled water loop, Olsen said.

The water loop ties the air con-

ditioning units around the university together. The water loop allows all university buildings to share air conditioning in the event that a building individual unit should break down.

Lou Hencken, vice president for student affairs, said that the ties would save future problems by connecting the new air conditioning units to the chilled water loop.

BOT members also approved the creation of two new parking lots. One lot will be located at on the corner of Ninth Street and Hayes Avenue and will contain 68 new spaces. The other lot will be located behind Buzzard Hall and will consist of 32 new spaces and 48 renewed spaces.

The Board also approved a plan to expand insurance services to part-time students. Hencken said many students in their last semester may not carry a full-load of classes, but still need to receive some sort of insurance.

Currently, the full-time students pay \$61 per semester to receive \$10,000 worth of insurance coverage. If a student can prove equal or greater coverage under a different insurance plan, the fee can be waived and the student reimbursed.

The Board also approved \$1,170,550 for computer software.

Dave Henard, associate vice president of information technology, said the funds will pay for licensing fees on some of the older computer programs used by the university. The funds also will purchase management programs for the university e-mail and world wide web servers, he said.

Corrections

An article in Wednesday's edition of *The Daily Eastern News* incorrectly reported that the Sexual Assault Counseling and Information Service provides free services for people ages 13 to 75. The center provides services for people of all ages.

Another article in Wednesday's edition should have stated that all students who wish to see a doctor must make an appointment. The appointment system is not on the basis of how busy Health Services is.

The News regrets the errors.

Carman Hall fires cause concern among resident staff

By HEATHER CYGAN
Campus editor

Fires are a growing concern of Carman Hall directors and staff members, and a letter will be sent to all residents stating they need to be more careful with their trash.

Carman Hall has been ablaze this year with four real fires and an extreme abundance of fire alarms.

The majority of the fires started in the trash chute, said Bob Wilczynski, the area coordinator of Carman Hall. There was also a faulty fan in the north tower that

resulted in Room 404 burning down. Hot grease also sparked a fire on the third floor of the south tower in March, he added.

"We don't know if (the fires are) malicious or if it's just people being careless," Wilczynski said.

After spring break, the resident assistants will also hold floor meetings to discuss the problems and precautionary measures to take.

There are about 900 students total in Carman Hall, with about 450 students in each of the north and south towers.

The Carman Hall staff is con-

cerned about the evacuation attendance outside when the fire alarms are pulled, Wilczynski said.

"People are becoming reluctant to leave," Wilczynski said.

The poor attendance Wednesday morning from the false alarm worried several staff members. During the weekend drills the low attendance can be accounted for because people leave for the weekend, but during the week at least 350 to 400 people should evacuate. Wednesday morning's evacuation paled in comparison to the expected weekday number.

Wilczynski said the staff will impose a fine of an unknown amount to anyone who is found in the building that refuses to leave the premises for the sake of their own safety. Soon, Wilczynski noted it may be necessary to check every room until everyone is evacuated.

Terry Hartley, the battalion chief of the Charleston Fire Department, said fire trucks are called to Carman Hall more than any other residence hall at Eastern.

"Fortunately, most of the calls are minor or false," Hartley said.

The minor incidences took some

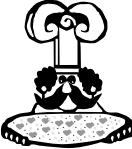
time to get under control, but had minimal damage, he said.

Pulling a fire alarm falsely is a serious offense for which the university has the power to fine any culprits, Hartley said.

Students should always evacuate, Hartley added. They should not be afraid to report something that may be a worthy cause.

Failing to evacuate would be a "bad mistake," Hartley said. "People take it for granted. What would it be like if the fire department took it for granted (and didn't arrive)?"






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New department should be a done deal before June

This week, the university finished interviewing the last candidate for the chair of the proposed biological sciences department.

The operative word for the program is proposed. The final restructuring plan for botany/zoology has yet to be approved by the vice president for academic affairs.

The final plan will not be approved until June. A lot can happen in four months.

Editorial

However, the university has pushed forward the interview for the new department without having the plan finalized.

Unless the plan is for, all practical purposes, finalized. The whole process seems to have a life of its own.

By planning to have the new department in place by the fall semester, the search committee is right on track with picking a new chair. However, the plan has not been finalized.

The search committee risks the chances of picking a person not suited for the finalized plan. This is like asking a contractor to build a house without a blue print. Considering the time line involved, the vice president for academic affairs should already approve the program. By having the program established, the search committee can pick the best candidate, who will work best with the students, faculty and new curriculum.

The merger has been hotly debated in Faculty Senate, and among the two departments. Students also wonder how the new degree will affect them. A finalized plan would alleviate these fears.

The fear that the merger was ill-planned. The fear that two departments will lose all individual identity. The fear concerning degrees and changing requirements.

Lida Wall, dean of the College of Sciences, said she is confident the plan will be passed and will select a new chair soon.

So if the dean is confident in the plan, the process should be accelerated. By speeding up the process, many headaches can be relieved and people can see how they will be affected.

They can see the negative aspects of the new plan, as well as the positive. It is only the fair way to treat the students who will be spending their tuition money on a new program.

“today’s quote

It is not the rebellion itself which is noble but the demands it makes upon us.”

—Albert Camus

Students shouldn't deny women's studies

It happened again—the other day, I was in the midst of a discussion—perhaps about El Nino, or maybe Elizabeth I's influence on the church of England. As I began to articulate my opinion, I was interrupted mid-sentence by a Dave Matthews Band hat-clad member of the patriarchy.

A rambling monologue ensued, scattered with “what-nots” and a lot of repetition. My poor, patient teacher listened wearily; even though my department is predominantly female, it is still well-populated with dominant men who have little understanding of communication habits and niceties outside their own gender.

Please don't misinterpret—I don't mean to male-bash, exactly—but the fact of the matter is, men interrupt more frequently than women and sometimes it interferes with my education.

On a related note, March is Women's History and Awareness Month. What is the connection between it and my anecdote? Simply, since I've been in college I've become more aware of gender inequity and my own socialization. As a woman, I am less assured of my ability to think and reason, and this is reinforced almost daily in the classroom—by the lack of female teachers, by the interruptions of men, by the inability of many female students to articulate their thoughts because we've never really been encouraged to try.

I think it's especially important for women in higher education to celebrate this month; historically, the university as an institution has served to minimize and oppress female contributions to academia, and not simply during interaction in the classroom. We have only to examine the books we read or the history we learn to recognize how few contributions of women are acknowledged or valued.

In fact, a lot of research has been conducted regarding the university atmosphere for women students, faculty and administrators. According to Bernice R. Sandler, in her essay, “The Campus Climate Revisited,”

—Women students encounter fewer female students and faculty the further they advance, from college to graduate school etc.

—Women graduate students have less self-confidence and express more doubts about their abilities than men

—Women faculty have been less likely to earn tenure (47 percent in 1986) than men (69 percent)

Obviously, some of these elements are less present at this campus. In Fall 1997, 43 percent of our student body was male and 57 percent was female, probably due to our excellent elementary and special education programs. After all,



JACKIE McGRATH
Regular columnist

“It always appalls me to hear a female student declare, ‘I am not a feminist.’”

women are best suited to those professions anyway, right? We're just more nurturing.

Anyway, I know I am restricted from very few things because of my gender on this campus; I have equal access to just about any class, any committee, any book in the library. But it's the small, daily details which eat away at my self-confidence and undermine my authority—the self-conscious comment my professor makes about

sexual harassment during a writing conference, someone rushing to my aid in the weight room when I momentarily struggle to change a weight, a seemingly harmless advertising flyer for ladies' night at a campus event.

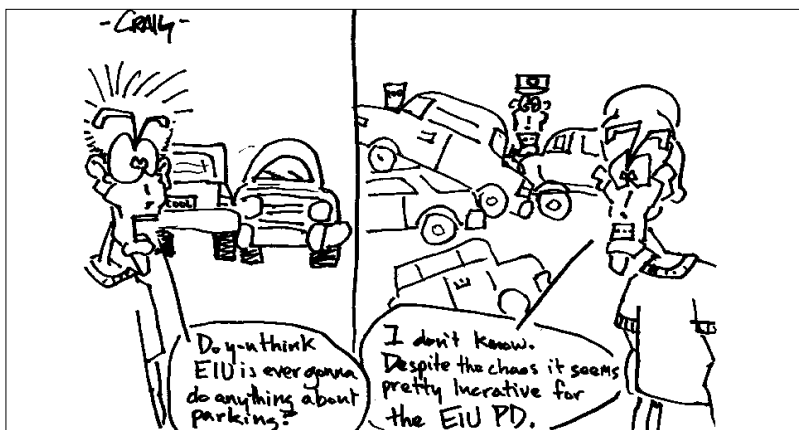
I had an argument earlier this semester with someone who asked when Men's History and Awareness Month was. My response, of course, was, “When isn't it?” We have Casimir Pulaski Day and Martin Luther King Jr. Day and President's Day, but what about Susan B. Anthony Day or First Lady's Day? Women aren't celebrated not because they didn't do anything during the American Revolution or other American wars, but because what they did wasn't recorded, wasn't documented. Why not? Because it wasn't valued.

Just so at a university—we don't read dead white men because women didn't write—we study them because women's diaries and private poetry weren't considered valid for publication.

I don't want this column to be a crash course on women's studies. Instead, I want to point out how self-destructive it is for modern women to deny feminism or recognize issues of gender. It always appalls me to hear a female student declare, “I am not a feminist.” Such a statement tempts me to question how such a conviction allows her to go to college, to enter bars, to exercise, to seek a career.

This month is a celebration of women, and however people choose to recognize it is valid, and in fact has less to do with feminism than it would seem. Feminism, in fact, is a belief in the importance of advancing the social, economic, and political status of women; it's ok to admit differences between genders, but sometimes the result of defining those differences is limiting. If you still can't comprehend such reasoning, then use this time and its events as a beginning; if you already know, consider it an affirmation. And if you know, sometimes, you interrupt women to easily or too frequently, now is a good time to try to stop.

—Jackie McGrath is the a senior English major and a semi-monthly columnist for The Daily Eastern News. Her e-mail address is cujm20@pen.eiu.edu.



Medical professionals should not perform partial-birth abortions

To the editor:

Although partial-birth abortion has been condemned by the medical professionals never justified, the profession has taken no action against its practitioners. Consider what kind of mind it takes to hold a perfectly formed human child squirming in one's hands and then puncture its skull and suck its brains out. Do such as these really qualify to be called medical doctors? Then why are they still members of the profession in good standing and allowed to continue this horrific practice?

The byword of the medical profession used to be “above all do no harm,” and the Hippocratic Oath used to say “I will give no deadly medicine.” It also included an explicit prohibition

your turn

against committing abortion. (Perhaps this has something to do with why it has quietly disappeared from many medical schools.) What has become of the medical profession when it welcomes into its ranks those unethical practitioners who have prostituted their skills to destroy human life, accepts abortion when there is no medical indication, and intrudes itself into families by condoning surgery on minors without parental permission or knowledge? Yet many, duped by the wedge issues of pain and personal autonomy, want to trust this thoroughly corrupted brotherhood with end of life decisions for the weakest and most vulnerable among us.

We are not far from the experience of the Netherlands where euthanasia is legal. The Dutch now fear entering their own hospitals where many lives

are involuntarily ended in spite of so-called safeguards.

Alfred Lemmo
Dearborn, MI

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Students getting 'take out' at dining halls

By MICHAEL CUNHA
Staff writer

Dozens of students who receive their meals from the dining halls have been smuggling food back to their rooms and their friends.

"Why would I want to take any of that stuff out (of the dining services)," said Michael Brooks, a sophomore zoology major. "Lots of people do it."

Brooks said the most frequent food taken out of the residence hall dining services are fruits, yogurt and desserts.

The dining hall and food services' Mug Club is designed to allow students to buy a mug and get cheap drink refills in return. However, some Mug Club members are abusing the privilege, taking any food item which will fit in their mugs out of the dining hall.

Mike Garrity, a senior computer management major, said he was in favor of not allowing food items out of the dining halls.

"Where would it stop?" Garrity asked.



"What's the difference where we eat it?" Brooks argued. "We're paying for it."

The reason students cannot take the food out of the dining halls is because of liability, said Sherry McKee, a food service administrator in the Carman Hall dining service. Dining services fears suits of liability in case students eat spoiled food they previously stole from the dining hall and forgot to eat.

"State regulation is one thing," McKee said.

"What would stop some guy from feeding all of his friends?"

Thousands of students use the dining services each day to get their three square meals.

According to Brooks, some students wish not to eat their meals in the actual dining hall.

Financial restrictions also play a part in the restriction of taking food out of the dining hall. The kitchens run on production sheets that keep track of the amount of food that each kitchen distributes per meal.

"Maybe (dining services) would lose money if people kept taking food all of the time," said Caitlin Stech, a sophomore special education major.

Stech also worked for the Taylor Hall dining service and said there is a lot of food that goes to waste.

"I've thrown away a lot of food," Stech said.

Any food that has been sitting in the food line or has had contact with the students becomes garbage. Any food that was prepared but not used can be prepared for use in another meal.

"I think (food service) should be part of a homeless organization to give the food to the needy."

With this notion resurfaces the liability issue for health and safety reasons, McKee said.

Cold weather to carry into Spring Break

By JAIME HODGE
City editor

The proverbial March lion is continuing to sharpen its claws on Charleston-area weather.

"It's just the normal events of winter," said Dalias Price, local weather observer. "We have to have so much winter, and then there's always that cold air lurking that builds up and spills out onto middle latitudes. Extremes of weather seem to follow each other."

"If it comes early, then it tapers off early. If it doesn't come early, then it comes later, and now everyone's moaning and groaning."

Price said Charleston residents can expect weather in moderation for the rest of the

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Local weather observer

week and that temperatures should be back into the upper 30s today. Temperatures will continue to climb back up into the 50s by Saturday and Sunday, Price said.

Charleston has received 1 1/2 inches of snow since Wednesday night although, "amazingly enough," some of it evaporated, Price said.

The temperature should bottom out to 5 degrees tomorrow,

which is the lowest temperature this winter, Price said. The lowest temperature this winter that Charleston has had to ward was 11 degrees on Jan. 14, Price said.

"It was 15 (degrees) above this morning and the high was 21 (degrees) and it's now 19 degrees. So we're headed ... downward. That will make spring break all the more attractive," Price said.

Winters looks for success in spring primary

By RYAN HILLIGOSS
Staff writer

U.S. Representative Brent Winters, a trust attorney and Charleston native, is squaring off against two other candidates for the Republican nomination for the 19th Congressional District.

Winters is running against Jerry Berg of rural Decatur and James Eatherly of Galatia. Winters was defeated by U.S.

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Representative Glen Poshard (D-Marion) in the 1994 and 1996 general elections.

"Winters is running to restore honesty and integrity to government, to protect the rights of the unborn, to protect traditional family values and to reform the

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Winters campaign spokesperson

tax code," said Dave Hall, a Winters campaign spokesperson.

Hall said Winters has talked with constituents for four to five years and has heard every tax horror story possible.

Americans give 40 percent of their earnings back to the government through direct or hidden taxes, Hall said. Winters also has said inheritance taxes are killing family businesses like farms.

Hall cited the fact that the IRS tax code is 10,000 pages long while the legislative bill used to create the federal Interstate system during

Eisenhower's presidency was only 32 pages long as one example of why the tax code needs to be reformed.

"The current tax code makes citizens out to be common criminals in one way or another," Hall said. "Winters is for less legislation, less governmental intrusion and more states' rights."

In regards to protecting family values, Winters would eliminate taxes for families earning \$30,000 or less per year, Hall said.

Winters would also eliminate the "marriage penalty tax" wherein two non-married per-

sons living in the same residence can file separate tax returns and avoid paying thousands of dollars they would be forced to pay if they were married, Hall said.

Hall said the 19th Congressional District race is one of 10 targeted races in the nation because a Republican could pick up a position previously held by a Democrat.

Winters' family has lived in the 19th Congressional District area for seven generations. Winters received a bachelor's degree in geology from Eastern, a master's degree in theology from Biola University in La Mirada, Calif. and a law degree from the University of Missouri.

Running against Winters are James Eatherly, 67, a retired school administrator, and Jerry Berg, 35, a hospital finance specialist. The primary election will be held Tuesday.

Proposal made to end union dispute

By JUSTIN KMITCH
Administration editor

Eastern's administrative collective bargaining team Wednesday proposed an offer to Eastern's American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Local 981 in an attempt to end the contract dispute that has been in effect since June 1997.

The negotiations began at 9:30 a.m. and lasted about three hours.

"(Eastern) made an offer to AFSCME's bargaining unit," said Shelly Flock, coordinator of public information and media relations.

"The university was informed by the mediator involved that AFSCME will be taking that offer back to its membership for a vote."

Flock said she did not know when the membership would be voting on the offer.

Rick Prince, staff representative for AFSCME Council 31, confirmed that an offer was put on the table.

"They did present us with an offer," Prince said. "But I don't think it comes anywhere near reaching the parity issues raised earlier; it doesn't address the things that need to be addressed."

Prince said AFSCME members will meet soon to discuss the offer.

"It still looks to us like the university is not up to recognizing the importance of its employees," he said.

Neither side would comment on the specifics of the offer.

"It has always been our policy not to discuss offers that are up for negotiation," Flock said.

AFSCME clerical/technical union 981 represents about 200 Eastern employees, who hold positions including typists, secretaries and transcribers.

Union members contend they are paid significantly less than their counterparts at other state universities.

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Family testifies against Majors in murder trial

By NIKKI MEINHEIT and
JAIME HODGE
Staff writers

Family members of a Mattoon man accused of murdering Cheryl McRill testified against him Wednesday.

Shawn Majors, 27, of Mattoon, listened as his wife, mother, brother and half-brother individually took the stand and testified they had all heard Majors tell them on separate occasions that he had held McRill's head under water until she had stopped moving before letting her back up above water.

McRill was found floating face down on Lake Paradise in Mattoon on May 4. She had been missing since May 1, according to her daughter, Crystal McRill.

At one point, jurors were provided with copies of transcripts that were made of a tape on which Majors was recorded saying he had killed McRill.

The tape was made possible by a wire worn by Majors' half-brother, Rick Hall. Hall attempted to contact Majors June 17 but failed. After attempting to contact Majors again, he was able to talk with him at Majors' residence at 10:47 a.m. June 18.

On the tape, Hall asked Majors what was happening because there were police at his house. Majors asked Hall if he knew about the girl that had drowned at Lake Paradise.

After Hall responded that he did know about the incident, Majors said "I did it. I killed that b**** out there. I got in the water and I drowned the b****."

Majors said on the tape he killed McRill because after the two had gone out by the lake "to get high,"

she started screaming "rape." Majors said on the tape he had held her head under the water until she stopped screaming because he did not want the police to come to the lake and arrest him on a rape charge.

Majors' wife, Hope Majors, testified that Shawn had said he held McRill under the water of Lake Paradise "until she stopped moving." Majors' brother, Scott Majors, testified that Shawn had said he held McRill under the water "to shut her up."

Coles County State's Attorney Steve Ferguson also called Travis Hindman, a forensic pathologist, to testify what he had observed about the body during the autopsy. Hindman said he had noticed a pool of blood in the lower lobe of the left ear and 12 to 15 hemorrhages on the surface of the head.

Hindman also testified that he had found no trace of marijuana in McRill's system, although there were traces of alcohol and nicotine found in her system. Hindman said the cause of death remained undetermined, although her death was probably caused by drowning or blunt forced trauma to the head. Strangulation was probably not a cause as there was no damage done to the thyroid cartilage or neck tissues, Hindman said.

Scott Majors also testified that Shawn Majors stole about \$400 out of McRill's purse the night of the murder. Terry Wilson, a Sales Manager of Quality Auto in Arthur, testified that Majors had come to Quality Auto and purchased a Ford van for \$425 on May 2, the day after McRill was reported missing. McRill had previously cashed two checks on May 1 for about \$400.

Speaker to help students solve writing problems

By TONY SVITA
Staff writer

Why writing is easy for some and more difficult for others will be the focus of a presentation by Susan Day, a doctoral candidate in psychology at the University of Illinois.

Day will present "Writer's Block in Academia and Beyond: The Experience of Thesis Writers," from 6 to 7 p.m. Thursday in Coleman Hall Room 333.

She will share her advice about helping with writing problems most students face.

"The advice I like to give students is on how they should plan their work," Day said. "As well they need to seek out experience to help them with writing before getting onto the real thing."

Day said many of her previous speeches assisted other stu-

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-Susan Day,
Writing coach

dents with writing problems. She said the main reason students experience trouble with writing is because of their past writing history, poor advice from previous advisers and conflicts in their daily lives.

Day, a former writing instructor at Illinois State University in Normal said that her speech topic is a good way to bring two subjects together and help students write better as well as look forward to school achievement.

Admission to the speech is free and open to the general public.



GWEN GRIFFEN/Staff photographer

Christina Hardin, speech pathology major, receives the "Women of Achievement" award, as part of the Women's Advocacy Council's annual writing and achievement award reception Wednesday night in the Table Arts Center.

Senate to send lobbyist to Washington

By AMY THON
Student government editor

The Student Senate Wednesday approved a \$200 allocation to send senate representatives to Washington D.C. to lobby against the Accuracy in Campus Crime Reporting Act, by a vote of 21-0-3.

The Accuracy in Campus Crime Reporting Act is being discussed by the United States House of Representatives and if passed would allow the public to sit in on university judicial board hearings. The senate recently passed a resolution stating they oppose the act.

The lobbying team plans to leave for Washington on March 23 and will return on March 26.

Senate member Keith Cosentino, a member of the lobbying team, said universities across the nation are concerned about the issue.

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Senate member

nation," Cosentino said.

Senate member Melissa Girten said the trip will be effective because they will voice the opinion of students who will be affected by the act.

The senate also passed a resolution that recommends the university use aluminum cans in the soft drink vending machines instead of plastic. This resolution was made because the soft drink companies are considering using only 20 ounce bottles in the vending machines. Plastic cannot be recycled in the Charleston area.

"We want to minimize the amount of plastic," said senate member Noel Koller.

Eastern President David Jorns attended Wednesday's meeting and answered questions from the

senate members.

Student Body President Kim Harris asked Jorns why the university is utilizing a survey company to analyze Eastern.

Jorns stated that the survey had two purposes, including to improve Eastern's services and the lives of students.

Cosentino asked for a time frame of the library renovation project.

Jorns said a design firm has been hired and he hopes to have final designs in one year. If the ground breaking begins as scheduled, the project will hopefully be complete by the summer of 2001.

Jorns urged the senate to use their judicial power to make changes on campus about issues that concern them.

Group for concert yet to be picked

By NICOLE MEINHEIT
Staff writer

The University Board has secured Lantz Gymnasium for the weekend of May 1 and 2 to open up more possible dates for a spring concert.

The dates are in addition to the weekends of Feb. 23 and 24, April 2 and 3 and April 24 and 25 that were previously reserved for the concert.

The UB concert committee has contacted 111 bands and comedians, but none have been able to fit the dates Eastern has set.

"I am not giving up on this until the last second," said Edie Stump, concert committee coordinator.

The concert committee looked into the possibility of having Adam Sandler perform, but he was busy

with movie commitments and his band is not making any new music now, Stump said.

The concert committee is currently looking seriously at 11 performers, but none have responded to their requests.

"Most bands aren't touring until late May," Stump said.

She said Eastern is missing a lot of bands because classes end a week earlier than most schools and because a lot of bands are touring in Europe right now. The concert committee is taking suggestions for bands, comedians or other performers.

"We are looking at everything and anything," Stump said. The committee will come to a consensus and bring some of their music to the UB, which will make the final decision.

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Students seek pre-spring break tans

By KEITH SCHREINER
Staff writer

It's Saturday morning and excited Eastern students are pushing off for their spring break destinations, yet some students are already tan.

For the past couple of weeks Eastern students have been visiting local tanning salons to tan their hides ready for a week of beach combing and uninhibited partying at various spring break hot spots.

Pam Weddell, manager of the Body Shop, said her salon experiences about a 50 percent increase before spring break.

To accommodate the increased demands for tanning times, the local tanning salons stay open as late as 2 a.m. to accommodate all requested appointments. The tanning salons will stay open even later if needed.

"We usually stay open until 2 a.m. but we will book appointments later if needed," said Jill Bolin, owner of Tan Lines.

The spring break period isn't the only time the local tanning salons profit from Eastern students. Both Body Shop and Tan Lines managers estimate that students make up about 85 percent of their customer base. Regular customers as well as students primping for functions such as Greek formals keep salons busy the rest of the year.

Why tan if you are going to an exotic spring break location during break?

Christine Moore, a junior

speech pathology major, said she is tanning before break to avoid burning when she arrives on the beaches of Panama City.

However, people — pre-tanned or not — should take additional precautions when soaking up rays, said Joseph Wall, medical director of Eastern's Health Services. Wall said people should use at least sun blocking lotion or oil with an SPF of 15 or higher when exposing their skin to the harmful ultraviolet rays of tanning beds and natural sunlight.

Parking tickets issued at Tarble Arts Center

By HEATHER CYGAN
Staff writer

Although the University Police did not ticket parking violators in the Tarble Arts parking lot for a short while, tickets are being issued again.

The Tarble Arts parking lot is only for visitors and all others will be ticketed.

"We want to let people know the University Police will be ticketing so people do not get ticketed unwarily," said Michael Watts, director of the Tarble Arts Center.

The Tarble Arts parking lot allows only visitor parking and has for the past eight years, said University Police Chief Tom Larson.

Larson said the department

receives complaint calls to install more parking restriction signs, but even after they put some more in "it's no different."

There are about 12 spaces in that parking lot.

"It's a small lot," Larson said. During the Buzzard Hall renovations the police did not ticket for a while, Watts said.

The University Police Department

has set up more signs and begun to ticket again, Watts added.

"Lately it's been less of a problem," Watts said.

"(The police department) set up more signs and we got the word out."

Sgt. Ron Osborne said the University Police Department has not kept track of how many tickets are issued in the Tarble lot.

Minority affairs hosts bimonthly discussion groups

By LAURA IRVINE
Staff writer

The Minority Affairs Office hosted its bimonthly discussion group meeting Wednesday night at the African American Cultural Center.

Maat, a Kemet word that means "to keep the community in balance and harmony," is a discussion group for African American faculty and students that has a mentoring program.

Maat, which is sponsored by the Minority Affairs Office, is a pilot program that has held three meetings since its establishment. So far, the group has been a success, said Angela Coker, group

coordinator.

"This group gives attention to student needs," Coker said. "Maat has had lots of success so far. We give students the opportunity to meet with higher level professionals."

About 40 students are involved in Maat's mentoring program, with about 15 to 20 mentors available for the students.

"Relationships will be different for individual units, but all students benefit from their experience," said Karsten Cash, academic adviser for the Gateway Program and mentor. "Professionals pass on information to the students and students benefit from the experience."

Mentors meet with students on a weekly basis to talk about classes, evaluate resumes and discuss academic progress as well as any difficulties the students are experiencing.

Elmer Pullen, a financial aid counselor and mentor, said the program "is a good way for faculty and staff to get to know students on campus."

In addition to the mentoring program, the group also discusses issues that have social ramifications with the African American culture.

Victoria Davis, a junior early childhood and education major, said, "It's a wonderful program. I wish more students would get

involved. If they came once, they would be encouraged to come again."

Several members attend Maat meetings because they want to become more involved with campus activities and students.

"I try to attend meetings because (they) let me connect to people I don't get to see on a daily basis," said Shanelle Henry, resident director for Pemberton Hall. The meetings are held at the African American Cultural Center, located on Seventh Street across from Blair Hall. Future meetings are scheduled for March 25, April 8 and April 22. All students are welcome to attend the meetings.

Guest poet celebrates women's history month

By MARK RICHARDSON
Staff writer

A guest poet will read selections at 4 p.m. today in the Tarble Arts Center as a tribute to Women's History and Awareness Month.

Debra Bruce, associate professor of English at Northeastern Illinois University in Chicago, will read her poetry on a number of topics, including breast cancer and how it affected herself and her family.

Bruce Guernsey, professor of the English department and director of visiting writer's program, said reading and listening to a poet's works go hand in hand.

"It is important to hear as well to read (poetry)," Guernsey said.

Guernsey said he wants Bruce's poems to be the "presentation of one's articulation of interest and feelings."

Bruce is the author of "What Wind Will Do," published by the Miami University Press and two previous collections of poetry titled "Pure Daughter" and "Sudden Hunger," published by the University of Arkansas Press.

Bruce's work also has appeared in many anthologies and magazines, according to a press release.

She has won numerous awards for her poetry

including the Carl Sandburg Literary Arts Award, Gustav Davidson Memorial Award, honors by the Illinois Arts Council and the National Endowments for the Arts and Humanities.

Guernsey said they have had as many as 200 people attend in the past and hope for the same attendance this year as well with a wide range of audience.

The poetry readings are being sponsored by the English department, Women's Studies program and the College of Arts and Humanities. The event is free.

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Illinois primary elections to be held next week

By RYAN HILLIGOSS
Staff writer

On March 17, registered voters in Coles County will have the opportunity to shape the course of Illinois politics well into the 21st Century.

In next week's primary election, voters will have the option of nominating candidates to run for the Republican, Democratic or Independent parties for state and federal positions of governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, state comptroller, state treasurer, Illinois Appellate Court judge, one U.S. Senator position and one U.S. Representative position.

Two candidates are running for the democratic nomination for state treasurer. Jerry Genova, mayor of Calumet City, is running against Roland Park Mayor Daniel McLaughlin. Both candidates have stated they would like to invest public funds to assist struggling rural and urban communities. The winner will face current treasurer Judy Baar Topinka in the November general election.

In addition, two candidates are competing for the Republican nomination for state comptroller.

State Sen. Chris Lauzen (R-Aurora) is running against Harry Seigle, an Elgin businessman. Both candidates have stated they want to consolidate the comptroller's office with the treasurer's office after they serve their terms. The winner of the primary will face Daniel Hynes, the Democratic candidate in the November general election.

Two candidates in each of the principal parties are competing for their party's nomination for the office of secretary of state.

Al Salvi, who lost to Sen. Dick Durbin in the 1996 U.S. Senate election, will face state Rep. Robert Churchill for the Republican Party nomination. Roland Park Police Chief Tim McCarthy will face Cook County Recorder of Deeds Jessie White for the Democratic nomination.

Recent Chicago Tribune polls reveal that out of probable primary voters, White holds a 43 percent to 25 percent lead over McCarthy, and Salvi holds a 50 percent to 23 percent lead over Churchill.

Two candidates are competing for the Democratic nomination for lieutenant governor. Kane County Coroner Mary Lou Kearns is competing with former state treasurer Pat Quinn.

Competing for the Republican party

nomination for the 4th Judicial District seat are Circuit Judge Thomas Appleton and Circuit Judge John Davis.

For the gubernatorial race, a four-way race has developed for the Democratic nomination. The winner will face George Ryan, secretary of state under Gov. Edgar, in the November general election.

Competing for the Democratic nomination are Jim Burns, Roland Burris, Glenn Poshard and John Schmidt.

Burns, a former U.S. attorney for the northern district of Illinois, is lagging behind the other three candidates. Burns has said he will fight against new income taxes, crack down on crime and drugs and improve education by cutting school bureaucracy.

Burris, former Illinois Attorney General and Illinois Comptroller, has avoided traditional fund-raising techniques and publicity. He has said he will improve schools by giving them a fund increase of \$300 million per year.

U.S. Representative Glenn Poshard of Marion, is currently finishing his fifth term in the House of Representatives. Poshard has limited campaign contributions and has said he will better state schools by changing the structure of school finance. He has

served on the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and the Small Business Committee.

John Schmidt is the former chief of staff to Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley and former associate U.S. Attorney General from 1994 to 1997. Schmidt has stated he wants to protect a woman's right to choose to have an abortion, to fight for better environmental laws and to limit gun owner rights.

A recent Chicago Tribune poll of probable Democratic primary voters reveals Burris would likely receive 27 percent of the vote, Poshard would receive 25 percent, Schmidt would receive 19 percent and Burns would receive 9 percent of the vote.

Two candidates are squaring off for the Republican nomination to run against Sen. Carol Moseley-Braun in the November general election.

Current State Comptroller Loleta Didrickson is running against state Sen. Peter Fitzgerald. A recent Chicago Tribune poll of 696 probable Republican primary voters showed Fitzgerald holds a likely 39 percent to 37 percent lead over Didrickson for the position.

Armed forces not to separate sexes

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Army, Navy and Air Force are rejecting the suggestion by an influential advisory panel that men and women be separated in basic training.

"We want to train as we fight. ... We are not going to gender segregate," one senior military official said Tuesday.

The three services argue that keeping men and women apart for the first six weeks of early training would not prepare them for the real world of the military, where women are now on warships and flying combat aircraft. Some 14 percent of the military is female.

Only the Marine Corps, which is geared primarily toward ground combat and assault missions, trains the sexes separately.

Although women are eligible to fly in combat aircraft for the Air Force and the Navy, and on combat helicopters in the Army, the services still bar women from duties in those units that are designed to seek out and engage the enemy in close combat, such as in the infantry, tank units or special operations forces.

Even so, women who serve in so-called support units are finding themselves ever nearer to harm's way as the battlefield has become more porous and threats include terrorist strikes or attacks from Scud

missiles.

The recommendations by the three services, which will be presented formally in the next week, are not binding. The final decision will be up to Defense Secretary William Cohen, said several senior officials, all of whom spoke on condition of anonymity.

The advisory panel, headed by former Kansas Sen. Nancy Kassebaum Baker, recommended in December that men and women be separated in the first six weeks of basic training and housed separately throughout both basic and advanced training programs.

Kassebaum Baker's panel of academics and retired military officers concluded that integrated training programs were failing to instill recruits with proper military values.

A second report a month later by a panel set up to advise the Pentagon on issues involving women came to just the opposite conclusion, saying the current system of "mixed gender" training should be expanded.

While rejecting the primary recommendation of Kassebaum Baker's report, the three services acknowledge a need to improve safety in housing for recruits.

President Clinton asked to testify for grand jury

WASHINGTON (AP) — Prosecutors have asked President Clinton's lawyers if he would be willing to testify before a federal grand jury investigating an alleged affair with a former White House intern Monica Lewinsky and subsequent coverup, a senior adviser to the president said Tuesday.

The overture was disclose another ex-White House employee, Kathleen Willey, was questioned by the grand jury about an encounter she reportedly had with the president in 1993.

The senior adviser, speaking the condition of anonymity, said Clinton's attorneys have not formally responded to an overture made in the past few days, but he acknowledged that discussions

between them and Whitewater prosecutor Kenneth Starr's office have taken place.

Clinton will likely agree to testify, but only after Lewinsky, 24, has appeared before the grand jury first, the adviser said. Since the Lewinsky matter became public in late January, Clinton has repeatedly denied that his relationship with her was sexual.

Lewinsky has reportedly said in secretly tape recorded conversations with a friend that she and the president carried on an 18-month affair. However, in an affidavit in Paula Jones' sexual harassment suit against Clinton, Lewinsky reportedly denied that her relationship with the president was sexual.

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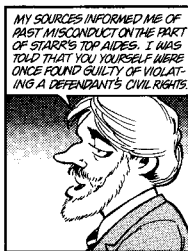
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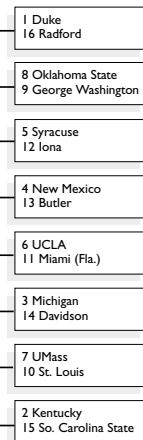


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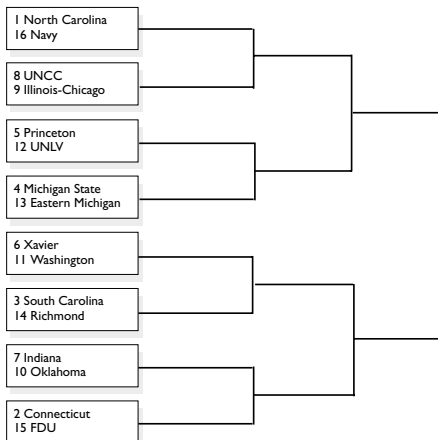
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Princeton vs. UNLV (6:40 p.m.)
Michigan State vs. E. Michigan (9:10 p.m.)*

Xavier vs. Washington (11:25 a.m.)
South Carolina vs. Richmond (1:55 p.m.)*
Indiana vs. Oklahoma (6:40 p.m.)
Connecticut vs. F. Dickinson (9:10 p.m.)*

West Regional

Maryland vs. Utah State (1:42 p.m.)
Illinois vs. South Alabama (4:12 p.m.)*
Tennessee vs. Illinois State (6:50 p.m.)
Arizona vs. Nicholls State (9:20 a.m.)*

Temple vs. West Virginia (11:40 a.m.)
Cincinnati vs. N. Arizona (2:10 p.m.)*
Utah vs. San Francisco (6:55 p.m.)
Arkansas vs. Nebraska (9:25 p.m.)*

* - denotes approximate start time

Gretzky's last-minute goal lifts Rangers to tie with Devils

NEW YORK (AP) - Wayne Gretzky's goal with 1:05 remaining in regulation lifted the New York Rangers into a 2-2 tie Monday night with the New Jersey Devils.

New Jersey extended the team's unbeaten streak to 11 games (8-0-3) and tied the idle Dallas Stars for the NHL lead in points with 86.

Gretzky scored from behind the net,

bouncing the puck in off the chest of Devils forward Bob Carpenter for his 17th goal of the season.

The Devils completed the season series against the Rangers without a loss (4-0-2) after being eliminated by New York in the 1996-97 playoffs.

The Rangers, who lost to the Devils 6-3 Saturday, are winless in 19 tie games this season (0-2-17).

New Jersey took a 1-0 lead on an unas-

sisted goal from Lyle Odelein at 15:52 of the first period. Just after a Devils power play expired, Odelein recovered a loose puck 10 feet in front of Rangers goaltender Mike Richter and beat Richter with a snap shot over his glove.

The Devils smothered the Rangers in the first period, not allowing a shot until the final 10 seconds of the period.

Pat LaFontaine pulled the Rangers into a 1-1 tie with his 23rd goal 48 seconds

into the second period. LaFontaine took a breakout pass from Alexei Kovalev and skated into the Devils' zone on a break-away. LaFontaine deked goaltender Martin Brodeur to his left, then beat him with a backhand shot.

The Devils went ahead 2-1 on a power-play goal by Patrik Elias at 3:02. Elias beat Richter over his left shoulder with a wicked slap shot from the top of the right circle.

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Panthers play former Mid-Con foe Troy State at tournament

By MATT WILSON
Associate sports editor

This weekend, the Panther baseball team will head south to Alabama to compete in the first ever Troy State invitational.

"This is the first time we've had this one particular type of tournament over spring break," Troy State head coach John Mayotte said.

Other teams competing in this first-time affair will be host Troy State, the University of Illinois, Sienna and Radford.

"This is an evenly balanced competition," Mayotte said. "In this type of environment, a lot will depend on the pitching match ups. It is a long baseball season, and what it will come

down to is who plays the best baseball."

Mayotte said this tournament started with a few teams calling other teams for games.

"I just decided it would be easier if we played all the games in one site," he said.

Illinois head coach Dick Jones said this tournament will be a big help for his ball club.

"We tried to set a tourney up instead of playing Troy State in a three-game series," he said.

While this is the first time for this tournament, Jones said he had heard about a prior tournament at Troy State.

"Two or three years ago Indiana went down there and that's how I heard about the tournament," Jones said.

Eastern head coach Jim Schmitz said he is excited about going to Alabama.

"It is very far south," he said. "Troy State used to be in our conference and I got to know Mayotte. This is a great situation. We play in a beautiful ball park and, with the weather situation, the money we have to spend we should be able to play."

While Jones said he had heard about the tournament from another Big 10 team, Schmitz said he heard about the invitational from Mayotte.

Even though this is the first year for the invitational, Schmitz knows it will be a success.

"We're already planning to go back next year," Schmitz said.

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the town the franchise it deserves, the fans should show up in droves.

And well all now what the fans in Chicago are capable of doing to visiting teams.

Player Decisions: The management of the Chicago Fire has shown the ability to do more with less.

This is a marked contrast to other teams in Chicago.

The Fire have gone out of their way to bring in players who will not only help the team win a championship, but also help the team win fans.

League rules limit the number of foreign players allowed each team.

To make matters worse, the league assigns the foreign players to the teams.

But the Chicago Fire have shown both good luck and shrewd decision making.

The Fire have acquired four Eastern European players, appealing to the large Eastern European community in Chicago.

The Fire also traded for Mexican international goalkeeper Jorge Campos.

A veteran of the Mexican national team and the

1994 World Cup, Campos will appeal to the Latin American community in Chicago.

The trade to acquire Campos was one of the first moves the team made and one of the most popular.

Finally, the Fire looked toward Chicago's past success and traded for Chicago native Frank Klopas.

A member of the 1984 North American Soccer League Champion Chicago Sting, Klopas returns to the scene of his past success.

All of these acquisitions give the Fire veteran experience at a in a variety of leagues.

In fact, all of these players has at one time or another played in the first division of one country or another.

Gut Feeling: This part is hard to explain, but I just have this really strong feeling this team will accomplish things.

So though it is probably to early to make any speculation about the up coming season, I really think the Fire will be hot in 1998.

Besides, it seems almost just that major league soccer in Chicago should pick up where it left off.

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conference tournament.

She said the team is excited, but not overly excited, to be in the NCAA tournament.

"We are extremely calm," Smith said.

She said the team had made the NCAA tournament two years ago as an at-large bid. Smith was an assistant on the team.

Smith said she expects her team to react differently to this trip to the NCAA tournament than it did last time.

"(Last time) we were kind of happy to be there, but this year that's just not the case," Smith said.

Smith said the team is more focused this time around.

The Lady Raiders will travel to Duke for the first-round matchup. Smith said she

was expecting to hit the road for the first round and does not think the travel will be a concern.

"As far as the brackets sit, we knew we were going to have to play on someone else's home floor," she said.

Opening the tournament against Duke could be a cause of concern for Middle. Smith said she began scouting Duke from the moment she found out who her opponent was.

But Smith said she did not feel worried about Duke because the school does not inspire the level of intimidation that other schools might.

"As far as our mind-set is concerned, we didn't have any preconceived ideas of what Duke will be like," she said. "You

take (other teams) like Tennessee, Connecticut, you have an preconceived idea of what the team will be like. Duke, even though it won the ACC, you don't think 'here we go again.'"

Smith compared Duke to Eastern Illinois as far as how the Lady Raiders would match up in the game.

"They're a lot like y'all; they outsize us greatly,"

Despite the size advantage Duke holds, Smith said the teams match up well due to Middle's level of athleticism.

One thing that does concern Smith about Duke is the team's game smarts.

"Duke is very heady. (They are) specific and patient in the things they do, especially on offense. They are extremely strong

Yashin scores two as Ottawa wins 5-3

KANATA, Ontario (AP) - Alexei Yashin scored two power-play goals and assisted on another, leading the Ottawa Senators to a 5-3 win over the Florida Panthers on Wednesday night.

Sergei Zholtok also contributed two goals, both on the power play as well, and Igor Kravchuk added a goal and two assists for the Senators.

Chris Wells, Ray Whitney and Viktor Kozlov replied for the struggling Panthers, who lost their seventh straight. The Panthers are winless in nine games overall and in 14 straight games on the road.

The Senators (26-28-10) won the third game of a four-game homestand and ran their home unbeaten streak to five games.

Ottawa opened a five-point lead on Carolina for the eighth and final Eastern Conference playoff spot.

Florida dropped to 18-33-12 and has given up 14 power-play goals in six games.

Ottawa's tepid power play,

22nd in the league and 2-for-28 entering the game, erupted for four goals in 10 chances.

Zholtok capped a flurry in front of goaltender John Vanbiesbrouck to open the scoring at 5:34 of the first period.

Daniel Alfredsson picked up his 100th NHL assist on the play.

The Panthers responded just 1:03 later when Wells stung goaltender Damian Rhodes on a weak rebound.

Yashin then scored his 26th goal on a rebound of Alfredsson's shot. Kravchuk gave Ottawa a 3-1 advantage with an unassisted goal during a power-play scramble 1:42 into the second period.

Florida again countered quickly as Whitney's unassisted power-play drive from the point went in just 1:15 later. It was Whitney's team-leading 24th goal.

Yashin scored again before Kozlov made it a one-goal game at 18:05, deking his way in for a spectacular goal.

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facilities for preparation of matches.

"It is easier when you are practicing outside," Kantor said. "The indoor (courts) are not as up to par as the outdoor ones are."

The women's team is short-handed, and Reid has been understanding to their situation.

"She is really positive and knows how hard we work," Khaw said.

One thing that hasn't changed is the focus that the teams have on the conference season.

"Nothing has changed with coaches with regard to preparing for conference," Cochran said. "That is still the main focus of our season."

For the most part, the team seems to be understanding what Reid is trying to accomplish. The adjustment should be over once the conference season starts.

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22-8 overall record and a 12-4 Atlantic 10 Conference record.

If you look at the record alone, Murray has the advantage. The Racers compiled the third most wins in Division I basketball with 29. The only other teams to achieve more wins than the Racers this year were Kansas with 32 and North Carolina with 30.

The Racers also reached the Associated Press top 25 poll for the first time this season this

week, as they are ranked No. 25 in the nation.

Rhode Island got in the tournament with an at-large bid. The Rams lost in the Atlantic 10 tournament to Xavier 95-80.

Murray State got an automatic bid to the NCAAAs as it defeated Tennessee Tech, Austin Peay and Tennessee State to win the OVC Tournament.

The Rams are an upperclassmen-based team, as their three leading scorers are juniors and

seniors. Leading the offensive attack for the Rams is senior guard Cuttino Mobley with 17.1 points per game. Mobley also leads Rhode Island in steals with 51 and is second on the team in assists with 76.

Also averaging in double figures for the Rams was senior guard Tyson Wheeler who has a scoring average of 14.6 points per game. He is the only Ram to compile over 100 assists, as he finished the regular season with 178

assists.

One of the most versatile players on the Rhode Island team is junior forward Antonio Reynolds-Dean. He is the leader in rebounds with 226 and is third on the team with a 11.3 points per game average.

Rhode Island is not the only team with a high-powered offense, as at the end of regular season play Murray State had the seventh highest scoring offense in the nation with an average of 87.1

points per game.

A big key to the Murray State offensive production was senior guard De Teri Mayes, who led the OVC in scoring with an average of 21.7 points per game. The other starting guard for Murray, senior Chad Townsend, led the OVC with 5.31 assists per game and also averaged 13.2 points per game.

Mayes is currently ranked 16th in the nation in scoring with an average of 21.7 points per game.

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Sports



DREW GRANGER
Staff writer

Soccer action takes stage in Chicago

Don't let the recent blast of cold weather fool you.

Spring is just around the corner.

In fact the first sign of the oncoming season of renewal will be broadcast on ABC Sunday.

That's right ladies and gentleman, Major League Soccer is back on the air.

Defending two time champion Washington D.C. will kick off the season against a new expansion franchise, Miami.

And on Saturday, March 21, Chicago will once again have an official soccer team.

The Chicago Fire will open its season against Miami on March 21, the first regular season game for an upper division professional soccer team in Chicago since the Chicago Sting folded in 1984.

The Fire are already getting the respect of fans in the know.

Recent polls held on the Major League Soccer web site show that fans are apparently expecting a lot from the freshman team.

One poll, asking fans to select the winner of the Western Conference, saw the Chicago Fire burn the competition. Chicago was picked to finish first in the division by fans in a landslide. Fans favored the Fire over other Western Conference teams by more than 1,000 votes.

Not bad for a team that had, at that point, not even played in an exhibition game.

A second poll put forth the question of who will win the MLS Cup.

Again, the fans chose Chicago. The men from the Windy City even managed to bypass the aforementioned two-time defending champion, Washington D.C. United.

Now I'm not saying these polls are an accurate prediction of what will be, but you never can tell.

In their first preseason game, the Fire defeated the United. Not a bad way to start franchise history.

Granted, they then proceeded to lose their next two games.

Still, there are some reasons to believe the new pro soccer team in Chicago can start as successfully as the old pro soccer team in Chicago ended.

The Fans: Even in the lean years, and there were some mighty lean years, the fans supported the Chicago Sting. The Fire can count on the same type of support.

Many Chicago soccer fans felt the sting of disappointment when Chicago was passed over for an original franchise.

Now that the league has been

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Tennis teams adjust to new coach

By TODD SCHREIBER
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The Eastern tennis teams are going through a tough transitional phase this spring season.

The transition is something both the players and coaches have to endure. New head coach Marla Reid is just getting settled in, as she took over the teams at the beginning of the new year. Reid is getting used to where to play her players, and what they can do.

The players are just getting adjusted as well, as Eastern



Adeline Khaw

employs its third coach in two years. The fall season was coached by current assistant coach Andre Herke. He took over for Rosie Kramarski who departed this past summer.

When Reid took over the head coaching job, the teams were just coming back from Winter break and had to adapt quickly to the new style.

"Andre (Herke) was younger, and more laid back," senior Joe Kantor said. "We related more with him being younger."

The change in coaching style is taking some time, but the player-coach relationship is getting to where it needs to be.

"We are getting there," junior Adeline Khaw said. "At first we didn't like her (Reid) style."

The style Reid preaches is starting to be accepted more everyday. The players seem to be more disciplined, according to junior Jill Cochran.

"We have more motivation now; we needed discipline," Cochran said. "That is what the team needed."

It seems the women's team is adjusting easier than the men's team is. The men's team has started 0-5 for the spring season, after a 6-1 fall campaign.

"We are really struggling to get a win," junior Brad Cook said. "But I guess it will take awhile to get adjusted."

Kantor thinks it is not so much the coaching, but the change in

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Softball team ends long layoff at Carolina

By KYLE BAUER
Staff writer

After an extended break, Eastern's softball team will return to action in the Coastal Carolina Classic March 16-18. The tournament will host teams from Bucknell, Illinois-Chicago, Princeton and the host Coastal Carolina.

The competition in this year's tournament will prove to be tough as always.

The host Coastal Carolina is struggling a little bit so far, only having a 2-7 record to show for its efforts.

Princeton will enter the tournament without much game experience, but a 2-0 record. The Lady Tigers played in the Maryland Invitational, where they won games over Maryland and Maryland Baltimore County.

Bucknell will come into the tournament without playing in a single game. Bucknell was scheduled to play two games, but both games were rained out.

Also working against Bucknell will be its lack of experience. Head coach Terry Grieb will be starting eight freshmen in the tournament.

"We are going to play a lot of people. It is going to be a feeling-out process for us," Grieb said. "We are not starting out from day one. We know that we are going to have sound pitching because we have a sophomore and a junior starting. Our expectations are to be able to hit the ball well also."

Expected to have a good showing in the tournament is Illinois-Chicago. UIC is currently ranked 27th in the USA Today poll, boasting a 19-12 record.

The Lady Flames competed in the North Carolina tournament, where they advanced to the championship game. They also competed in the Tampa tournament, where they finished second in their pool.

The Lady Flames are looking to continue on their winning ways and possibly take the tournament title.

"I think we feel that we are going in well prepared," UIC head coach Mike McGovern said. "We want to continue the success that we have achieved so far."

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IKUYA KURATA/Photo editor

Eastern's Sara DeLeare takes a swing at practice last week in the Lantz Fieldhouse.

OVC basketball continues in NCAA tourneys

Racers get better seed, play No. 8

By MATT WILSON
Associate sports editor

The Ohio Valley Conference champion Murray State Racers begin their run in the NCAA Tournament Friday night when they take on Rhode Island.

Murray State is making its second straight appearance in the Big Dance. Last year the Racers got stuck playing Duke in North Carolina and nearly

pulled off a major upset. Senior Racer guard Vincent Rainey fired up a three pointer at the end that would have tied the game, but the shot came up short.

This year should be a little bit easier for the No. 9 seed Racers for a couple of reasons. First off, Murray plays a No. 8 seed in the first round, not a No. 2 seed. The other reason why it should be easier is travel, as this year the Racers only have to travel to Oklahoma City for their first-round game.

Even though it is no Duke, Rhode Island will still be a threat for Murray State. The Rams finished the year with a

Middle plays Duke in first round action

By DREW GRANGER
Staff writer

After moving through the Ohio Valley Conference tournament with a victory over Eastern Illinois and upset victories over Eastern Kentucky and Tennessee-Martin, Middle Tennessee State finds itself headed to the big dance for a first-round tango with Duke University.

Middle's Lady Raiders took

the 15th seed in the NCAA tournament following a successful run through the OVC tournament.

First-year Lady Raider head coach Stephany Smith said the conference tournament win was nice, but the NCAA tournament has been the team's center of attention throughout the season.

"As it should be for all teams, our goal for the season was to make the national tournament," Smith said. "How realistic that was and how much that goal was stressed varied at points in the season."

Smith said Middle has a long history of success in the OVC and expected to fare well in the

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